

Abstract

[0037] An assembly including an outer race of a constant velocity joint and part of a vehicle wheel bearing. The outer race has a first bore with an internal groove. The wheel bearing part has a second bore with an open end, an external groove, and a slot extending axially between the external groove and the open end. The slot also opens circumferentially along its axial length towards the open end forming an angular surface. The wheel bearing part and the outer race are held in an assembled position by a spring ring engaged in the internal groove and the external groove. The spring ring includes, adjacent one end, an arm which extends generally radially inward through the slot. When twisted, the arm engages the angular surface of the slot, and contracts within the external groove.

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